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Eighth Annual Early Childhood Institute Conference: "People of the Book"

[The Early Childhood Institute at Hebrew College](#) will hold its Eighth Annual Early Childhood Jewish Education Conference on Monday-Tuesday, December 11 and 12, 2017, at Hebrew College. The lens for this year's conference is "People of the Book," and we will pose the

following questions:

"Who are the 'People?'"
 "Which 'Book' are we referring to?"
 "What is the relationship between the two?"

Join us and examine these questions with scholars and experts. Conference participants will also explore ways to share the answers with diverse learners and families who have different backgrounds and familiarity with Jewish texts, stories, traditions, and the Hebrew language.

- Learn how to create sensory-rich experiences that will ignite the souls of young children through art, drama, music, storytelling, and Hebrew language.
- Discover ways to make the stories and values of Jewish texts alive, relevant, and accessible for both diverse learners and today's multi-cultural families.
- Be inspired by guest speaker, MIT Prof. Jeff Hoffman, who was the first male Jewish astronaut to bring the Torah into space.

The Hebrew College annual early childhood Jewish education conference is designed for educators of all levels and backgrounds, clergy, and professionals working with young children (infants through second grade) and their families in all formal and informal educational settings. Please register below. Pricing differs for Massachusetts, non-Massachusetts attendees and groups.

Register (Mass. only)

Register (Non-Mass.)

Register (MA Group members)

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Ta Sh'ma

Come & Hear

Ordination Programs Open House & Day of Learning
 November 6, 2017

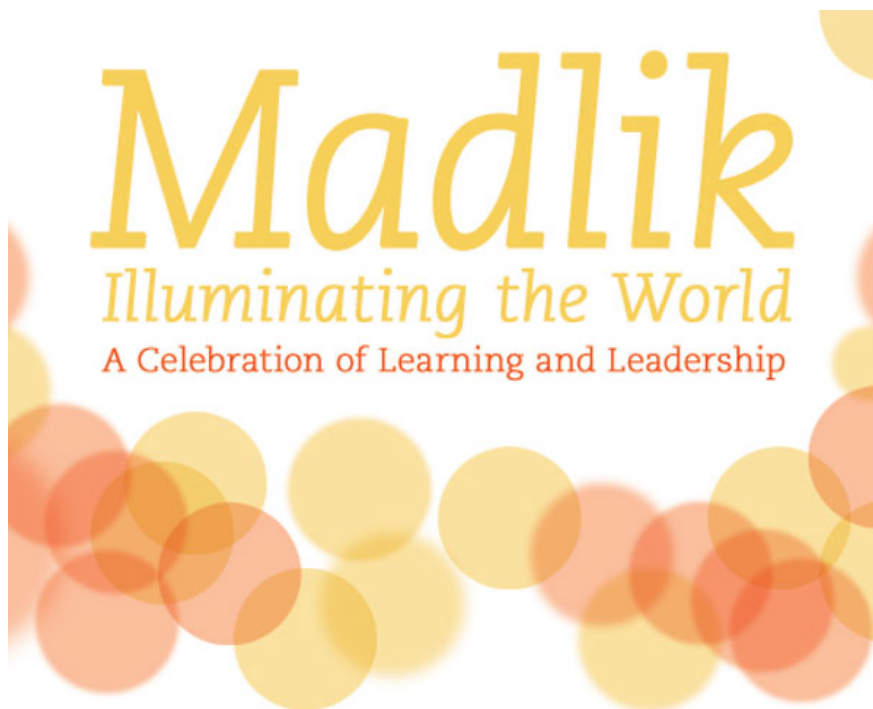


Help us spread the word.

If you or anyone you know is interested in the rabbinate or cantorate, join us for Ta Sh'ma, Hebrew College's open house, and spend the day learning with and getting to know the students and faculty in Hebrew College's pioneering [rabbinical](#), [cantorial](#), and [rav-hazzan](#) programs. Get inspired. Learn. Talk. Sing. Pray.

Travel stipends available.

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Save the Date & Spread the Word

The Rabbinical School of Hebrew College
invites you to a joyful evening of study, story, and song
to celebrate its impact
in Greater Boston and beyond.

Join us in our home at Hebrew College
to experience the light of Torah
that animates the Rabbinical School,
inspires its students and alumni,
and enlivens the wonderful communities they serve.

Saturday, December 2, 2017
14 Kislev 5778
7-9 p.m.
Hebrew College
160 Herrick Road, Newton Centre

Admission \$36 | Students \$18



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Humans of Hebrew College #HumansHC



Learn more about [Alicia DePaolo](#), Master of Jewish Education (MJE) student in the [Shoolman Graduate School of Jewish Education](#). Applications for the spring masters and

certificate programs are due November 15. [Learn more.](#)

If you are interested in being featured as one of our #Humans, please contact webmaster@hebrewcollege.edu. You can also find Hebrew College alumni and students on the Hebrew College LinkedIn page. (Remember to update your LinkedIn profile!)

Notable & Quotable

Dean of The Rabbinical School of Hebrew College, Rabbi Sharon Cohen Anisfeld (pictured) will be the Leo Trepp Lecture speaker at Boston University's Elie Wiesel Center for Jewish Studies on Thursday, October 26. In the program, [Reimagining Rabbis: Perspectives on the Ancient Profession in 21st Century America](#), she will lead a team of young rabbis to discuss the challenges of the rabbinate in 21st century America.



Rabbinical School Rector Rabbi Arthur Green participated in October in events celebrating the completion of the Pritzker translation of the Zohar, a twelve volume and twenty year project published by Stanford University Press. Rabbi Green, who served as co-chair of the Academic Committee supporting the project, spoke at events at the University of Chicago, the 92nd Street Y in New York, and Shalom Hartman Institute in Jerusalem. [Read his remarks.](#)



Listen to [The Rabbinical School of Hebrew College](#) 2016 alumnus Rabbi Nate DeGroot in this [Jewish Emergent Network video](#). He is one of seven fellows from across the country who is helping to create Jewish connections for millennials. #IKAR



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Where is God in the Flood? Parshat Noach (Genesis 6:9-11:32)

By Rabbi Avi Strausberg, Rab `15

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In the beginning, there was nothing. When God began to create the heavens and the earth, the earth being unformed and void. Except, that's not exactly true. Because there was something. There was darkness, and there was wind, and there was water. A lot of water.



God separated water from water, creating an expanse in between and God gathered all the lower waters together, and dry land took form. God called the dry land *eretz* and all of the waters *yamim*, and God saw that it was good.

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